

## GAVE ALL HER MONEY TO CHURCH AND CHARITY

Many Societies Benefit by Will of Mrs. McKenzie of Coderich.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Goderich, Dec. 4.—Of an estate valued at \$9,814, Mrs. Elizabeth McKenzie, who died on Sept. 24, and whose will has recently been probated, left \$6,100 to churches and church work, etc. The principal beneficiaries under the will are: The Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada, \$1,000; W. C. T. U. of Ontario, \$1,000; Superannuation Fund of the Methodist Church, \$1,000; Educational Fund of the Methodist Church of Canada, \$1,000; North Street Methodist Church, Goderich, \$500; for the payment of salaries in connection with the W.C.T.U. in the lumber camps, \$500; Marine and General Hospital, Goderich, \$500; Children's Aid Society of Ontario, \$500; Sunday School of North Street Church, Goderich, \$100. About \$5,000 is left to relatives.

As the bequests are more than the value of the estate, all the beneficiaries will have to take a pro rata share, as the bequests are all made subject to abatement.

## TO PROTEST AGAINST POTATO EMBARGO

St. John Shippers Want to Hold Big Trade With States.

[Canadian Press.]  
St. John, N. B., Dec. 3.—The St. John board of trade is arranging to send a representative to a meeting to be held in Washington on Dec. 10 to discuss a demand made in the United States that an embargo be placed on Canadian potatoes because of alleged powdery mildew. St. John will not protest because New Brunswick sends large quantities of potatoes to the States.

LEFT \$15,000,000

George Hearn Gives Priceless Art Collection to Metropolitan Museum.

[Canadian Press.]  
New York, Dec. 3.—The famous collection of paintings of the late George A. Hearn, head of one of the pioneer retail drygoods stores of this city, whose death occurred on Monday, will go to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, which has already benefited by many such gifts from Mr. Hearn, according to friends of the dead merchant, who are known to have been in his confidence. Mr. Hearn, it is expected, will leave an estate of \$15,000,000. His widow will receive one-third of the estate, it is said, while his three daughters will inherit the remaining two-thirds in equal shares.

## ELECTED OFFICERS

Bro. Wm. Hough Is Head of Maitland Lodge at Wingham.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Wingham, Dec. 3.—At the regular meeting of Maitland Lodge, No. 119, I. O. G. T., the following officers were elected: N. G., W. W. Hough; V. G., W. B. Elliott; recording secretary, J. F. Groves; financial secretary, W. J. Haines; treasurer, H. B. Elliott. The ruins of the Cleary and Walker factory are still smoldering. The insurance representatives were here and made satisfactory adjustments. As soon as the debris can be cleaned up and taken away a brick building will be erected.

## CUT WAS FATAL

Lockjaw Follows Small Wound on Thumb of Alexander Reaume.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Windsor, Dec. 3.—Lockjaw resulting from a cut on the thumb sustained just one month ago caused the death here today of Alexander Reaume, 29 years old. The wound on his thumb, at first regarded as trivial, was believed to have healed, but infection resulted. The young man died in terrible agony, with all symptoms of tetanus. Reaume leaves a widow and one child.

## TIN WEDDING

Pleasant Celebration Was Held at the Home of Mr. Wm. Bartley.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Belmont, Dec. 4.—A very pleasant event took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Bartley, a mile south of Belmont, on Tuesday, the occasion being the celebration of the worthy couple's "tin wedding." About 50 guests were present, and a sumptuous dinner was served, and the guests spent the afternoon in a very pleasant manner. At an early hour all bade the host and hostess farewell, and wished them many returns of their wedding anniversary.

## FARMER HANGED HIMSELF

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Geulph, Dec. 4.—James "Coke," a farmer, about 50 years of age, residing with his two sons on a farm a short distance from Erin, ended his life by hanging yesterday. He was found by one of his sons hanging in the driving shed.

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## DISSOLVED MARRIAGE AT PARENTS' REQUEST

Court Declares That Wedding of Youthful Pair Was Illegal.

[Canadian Press.]  
Montreal, Dec. 3.—Though married in Ontario, at Prescott, because Edgar Gentry Thompson and Maude Baker, minors, had not obtained the consent of the young man's parents, Joseph Henry and Mrs. Thompson, Montreal, according to Quebec law, Judge Bruneau has dissolved their marriage. The petitioners for the dissolution were Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and the defendant, Napoleon Piche, tutor to Maude Baker. The proof submitted showed that the youthful pair desiring to get married, and knowing the stringent provisions of the law here, planned to elope to the adjoining province. This plan they successfully carried out, and they had no difficulty in securing a license to be married in Ontario. They quickly hunted up a minister, and were married by Rev. A. E. Russell, a minister at Prescott. It would appear that both the youthful ones had represented to the minister that they were of age. The boy, it seems, told the minister he was 22 years old, while the girl did likewise. The happiness of the pair, however, appears to have been of short duration, for after their return to Montreal they lived but a short time together. When the secret leaked out the boy's parents became indignant, and took immediate steps to have the marriage set aside.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Open letter to the Hon. Dr. Pyne, Minister of Education for Ontario.

Hon. Sir,—On the accession to political power of the Conservative party in Ontario, led by Sir James Whitney, nearly nine years ago, you were entrusted with one of the most important portfolios in the cabinet, that of minister of education. I say one of the most important portfolios inasmuch as the care, fashioning, shaping and directing of the educational affairs of the province cannot well be regarded as second in its value and responsibility to that of any other department of the Government. When you assumed office you found yourself at the head of an educational system which comprised public schools for the majority, and Roman Catholic separate schools for the minority, according to the agreement and pact of Canadian confederation. You also found committed to your care a large number of English-French, or if you will, bilingual schools situated in counties where some 250,000 French-Canadians had established their homes. Plainly, sir, in the charge entrusted to you as minister of education, your duty was to see that every facility was given—every necessary measure introduced—that would add to the progress and development of these schools.

To carry out the educational policy you had fixed upon, you gathered around you certain educators, and you created new offices which are unheard of in the educational administration of any other country, but the thirst for position had to be slaked, and you were an amiable victim to the pressure, though it crushed some of the ribs of your own prerogatives. Soon, sir, the head of your "fidus Achates," your "alter ego," Dr. John Seath, was at work. He had been engaged for years as an educational Warwick with high school inspector's tape-line in hand, making and unmaking teachers in every corner of the province. Educators shrank at the thought that a man who had played such a role for years in Ontario—a role lacking in that fine sense of honor and self-respect which belong invariably to every true scholar—should be entrusted as superintendent of education with the educational questions of justice and right, which are necessarily involved in the impartial administration of the educational affairs of this province.

Following Dr. Seath's appointment as superintendent of education, we have had in educational Ontario an era of equipment, during which every school, public, separate and high, at an enormous expense, has been equipped to the very chimney-top—everything in sight except the heads of the children have been equipped. But amidst all this measuring with inspectors' tape-line and the compelling of school boards to build better woodsheds and add more maps, the opinion greatly prevails, sir, that a very large amount of the work done in our schools, primary and secondary, here in Ontario, is more rubbish, and makes neither for the true education or culture of our boys and girls. Permit me to say, sir, that I am one of the many who believe this, and I should like very much to see appointed a commission of three educators selected from outside of the province, free from political bias, empowered to visit the secondary schools of Ontario for the purpose of ascertaining the real character and practical worth of the work that is now being done in the high schools and collegiate institutes of Ontario in such subjects as German, composition, French and English. I fear, sir, that the work done in these subjects, as well as in many others, will not measure up to genuine and practical scholarship.

It has been said, too, in certain quarters that since your assumption of the portfolio of minister of education much has been done for the Catholic schools of this province. I have been examining, sir, with a microscope, and must confess that I have been unable to find the least measure that you have enacted for the benefit of the Catholic schools of this province since your regime began. In truth, I can tell nothing that has been done for the separate schools since the pen that is now addressing you this letter led in an agitation more than thirty years ago which resulted in the first and only convention of Catholic teachers of Ontario ever held, pressing upon the Government the need of appointing Catholic inspectors for the separate schools, as a condition of creating a Catholic normal school, and the need of appointing a Catholic deputy-minister of education. Within a short time a Catholic inspector was appointed, and this practically has been the end of the development of the separate school system in Ontario.

But where you, hon. sir, and your "alter ego," Dr. Seath, have shown as administrators of education has been in queer management of the bilingual schools. Permit me to say that you have both made a muddle and mess of it. Let me, however, say that as far as you have endeavored to better these schools and secure qualified and competent teachers for them you deserve praise, not censure. Everyone, Catholic and non-Catholic, Liberal and Conservative, English and French, are one in that, and feel that whether the suggestion for their betterment came

from the sanctuary, the forum, or the mart, it was indeed praiseworthy, and deserves commendation; not criticism. For Canada needs a highly intelligent citizenship, and we must rightly look to our schools for its fashioning.

But where you have erred—and it has been the beginning of your woes—has been, sir, in listening with your ear to the ground as to what the Orange lodges had to say about bilingual schools. Had you handled this bilingual question as an educational statesman, not as a political partisan, listening to the clamors of your supporters, you would not be in the bilingual muddle and mess you are today. True your political party is making the most they can out of it, and stirring up feeling in every quarter against the French-Canadians, because of their defiance of the bilingual regulations in Ottawa and at Vankleek Hill. But, sir, their defiance is not aimed at you as minister of education, but at the tyranny behind these absurd and insane regulations.

You are reported, sir, as saying that English must be the language of instruction in all the bilingual schools. I ask you, can this be, when thousands of these French-Canadian children do not understand a word of English when they come to school? Is it not both absurd and fatuous to attempt to teach history, geography and grammar to a class of French-Canadian boys and girls who are not yet advanced enough in English as to be able to think in the language. Teach them English by all means in a separate class in English, and then when they

know it as well as their mother language, let the language of general instruction be English, but not till they know it as well as their own language. Had you, sir, cast your eye as far as Nova Scotia you would have learned how well they have managed the bilingual question down there. Before the commission was appointed in 1903 the condition of bilingual schools in Nova Scotia was similar to what Dr. Seath, your "alter ego," is endeavoring to bring about here in Ontario. In truth were I a Theosophist and believed in three astral bodies, I would believe that one of Dr. Seath's astral bodies had been operating down in Nova Scotia.

The Nova Scotia commission appointed to inquire into the condition of the bilingual schools was composed of the following: Rev. P. Dagnaud, Church Point; W. E. Maclellan, Halifax; Prof. A. G. Macdonald, Antigonish; Rev. W. M. LeBlanc, Arichat; Alexander McKay, Halifax; Hon. A. H. Comeau, Meteghan River; Rev. A. E. Bombourquette, East Magaree, and M. J. Doucet, M. P. P., Grand Etang.

Here is the report, sir, of the commission, and it actually condemns the very thing in bilingual education which you and Dr. Seath are upholding. In the light of this report do you wonder there has been defiance and rebellion in the bilingual schools of Ottawa and Vankleek Hill.

Says the commission: "Your commissioners find that the fundamental error in dealing with the French schools which must be held responsible for many of their shortcomings, has been the assumption that they must be

taught exclusively in English. They find that with startling uniformity and persistence attempts have been made and are being made to educate children from French-speaking homes and with none but French-speaking playmates by means of the English language alone, sometimes from the lips of teachers who can speak nothing but English. They find from the testimony of experts that even were such teachers masters of the most approved modern methods of teaching a foreign language, but meagre results could be anticipated from their best efforts under such conditions.

Your commissioners are unanimously of the opinion: First—"That English can be best and most effectively taught in the French-speaking school-rooms in Nova Scotia by the daily use in speaking and writing of that language taught, according to the most approved methods from the pupils' first entrance into school to be followed by the prescribed English readers as soon as they can be intelligently used by such pupils not later than the 3rd or 4th grades.

Second—"That the general education of French-speaking pupils should be carried on concurrently with their acquisition of the use of English, and this can be successfully accomplished only by the use of their vernacular; that therefore, as long as necessary, they should, while learning English, be taught the other subjects of the curriculum in French."

Now, sir, I ask you, does not this report and opinion of the Nova Scotia commissioners place your bilingual regulations for Ontario in a bad light?



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The very thing you would enforce, the Nova Scotia commissioners condemn. Do you think, sir, that you will rectify this blunder and mess and muddle by appealing to racial cries such as have been heard on the Tory platforms in East Middlesex? Know, too, sir, that when you and your "fidus Achates" will have passed away—when Dr. Seath may have gone to a happier clime, the French-Canadians number 1,000,000, will be swarming in our streets and legislating for our people and loyally shaping and fashioning the destiny of our beloved country. Let them have peace, justice and good-will.

I remain, hon. sir, faithfully yours,  
THOMAS O'HAGAN.  
Windsor, Dec. 2.

## ELECTED OFFICERS

William Chivers is New Chief Ranger of Belmont Lodge.  
[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Belmont, Dec. 4.—The regular meeting of Court Belmont, No. 178, Canadian Order of Foresters, was held on Tuesday evening, the principal item of business being the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: P. O. R., T. W. Strachan; C. R., Wm. A. Chivers; V. O. R., Oliver D. Manning; recording secretary, Gordon Walker; financial secretary, Gordon Bloomfield; treasurer, M. T. Payne; chaplain, James Taylor; S. W., Norman Frost; J. W., William Hodgins; S. B., Stewart Strachan; J. B., William Scott; auditors, John Hudson and J. Douglas Buchanan; trustees, Norman Frost, Geo. Grenville and John W. Chivers. The newly-elected officers will be installed on Tuesday evening, Jan. 6. One candidate was initiated last night, making a total membership of 68.

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